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My written testimony in support of S.B. 237, AN ACT PROHIBITING THE STORAGE OR DISPOSAL OF FRACKING WASTE IN CONNECTICUT.

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Members of the Environment Committee,

Thank you for introducing this legislation. I am grateful to the sponsors of this bill.

First and foremost, I am deeply concerned about the health of my family - my two young 11 and 9-year-old boys and my extended family and friends who live in Connecticut. It's inconceivable to think that our state could be the next dumping ground for hazardous, toxic, and radioactive fracking waste.

Too many American communities in neighboring states have already been affected with air pollution, contaminated drinking water and severe health issues such as cancer. It's time to stop the disposal of fracking waste now!

We need legislation to protect our community water, air and public health.

Please vote **yes**, in support of H.B 5308, An Act Concerning Regulation of Fracking Waste and vote **no**, against H.B. 5307, An Act Concerning the Use of Booms for the Retention of Certain Oils or Petroleum and Revising certain requirements for the registration of radioactive materials.

Please vote **yes**, in support of S.B. 237, An Act Prohibiting the Storage or Disposal of Fracking Waste in CT

Thank you for your time and the opportunity to submit testimony.

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